Department of Personnel Administration Memorandum

TO: Personnel Management Liaisons (PML)

SUBJECT: Rehired/Retired Annuitant Eligibility to Participate in Savings Plus	REFERENCE NUMBER: 2009-021
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State and CSU employees who separate and return to service as "Rehired Annuitants" can now contribute to their existing Savings Plus Program (SPP) 401(k) and 457 Plan account or establish a new account. (The term "rehired" annuitant, used in the CSU system, is also known as "retired" annuitant among State employees.)

To Qualify for this State Benefit

Rehired Annuitants qualify for this benefit if they're:

- Paid via a State Payroll System;
- Separated for at least 60 days: and
- Not currently receiving periodic payment distributions from an SPP account.

To Establish a SPP 401(k) or 457 Plan Contribution

Rehired Annuitants must submit a Rehired Annuitant Enrollment Agreement to start contributions. This requirement also applies to employees that have an existing account. The form is available online at www.sppforu.com under "forms & publications."

Other Important Information

- Contributions post to the allocation on record. If no allocation on record exists, contributions post to the Asset Allocation Index Fund – Moderate. Other SPP investment options are available once the account is established.
- A monthly administrative fee of \$1.50 is assessed against each plan account.
- Rehired annuitants are **not** eligible for loans, hardship withdrawals, unforeseen emergencies, 457 Catch-up, or periodic distributions. However, they may request a Direct Payment (a 10% Federal tax penalty may apply to payments from a 401(k) plan account.)
- For more information, visit <u>www.sppforu.com</u> or call a customer service representative at 1-866-566-4777, press *0 (M – F, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. PT).

Sincerely,

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